

VARIABLES

CTL	Field terminator last used
DAY	Current system date
DSZ	Unused bytes in user task memory
ERR	Last occurring error
HSA	Highest sector available
PSZ	Bytes used by program
SSN	System Serial Number
SSZ	Bytes in sector
SYS	Level of operating system (Level 4 only)
TCB	Task information
TIM	Current system time
TSK(0)	Configured devices
TSK(1-9)	Tasks in bank

INPUT/OUTPUT OPTIONS

BLK=	User buffer size (Level 3 only)
BNK=	Bank number
DOM=	Duplicate or missing key
END=	Branch at end of file
ERR=	Branch on error
IND=	Access record index
IOL=	Specifies IOLIST stno
ISZ=	Allows a file to be accessed like an Index file
KEY=	Key of record to be accessed
LEN=	Length range of variable
RTY=	Number of retries
SEQ=	File position on MTC or MTR
SIZ=	Maximum characters to be input
TBL=	Specifies TABLE stno
TIM=	Seconds allowed for input
TRK=	Track number of tape cartridge
VOL=	Volume (magnetic tape only) (early Level 3 only)

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FUNCTIONS

ABS	Absolute value
AND	Logical ANDing
ASC	String to decimal
ATH	Hexadecimal value to ASCII
BIN	Binary value
BSZ	Bytes available in bank
CHR	Numeric expr to ASCII
CPL	Compilestring expr
CRC	Checksum for string variable; data integrity check
DEC	Binary to signed decimal
EPT	Exponent of expr
FID	File information
FNx	Definable functions
FPT	Fractional part of expr
GAP	Odd parity, byte-for-byte
HSH	HASH; data integrity check
HTA	ASCII value to hexadecimal
IND	Index of record
INT	Integer of expr
IOR	Inclusive ORing
KEY	Key of next record
LEN	Length of string expr
LRC	Longitudinal Redundancy check; data integrity check
LST	Compiled BASIC to List format
MOD	Remainder of divided integers
NOT	Inverse of string, bit-by-bit
NUM	String expr to numeric
PGM	Compiled format of stno
POS	Character position
PUB	Public Programs in bank
SGN	Sign of expr
STR	Numeric expr to string
XOR	Exclusive ORing

STATEMENT FORMATS

* = Level 3 only

** = Level 4 only

ADD "prog ID" {,ERR=}
 ADDR "prog ID" {,ERR=} {,BNK=}
 ADDE "OSSPOL" {,ERR=} {,BNK=}
 ADDC* ".CPLR" {,ERR=} {,BNK=}
 ADDL* ".LSTR" {,ERR=} {,BNK=}
 ADDS** ".SORT" {,ERR=} {,BNK=}

BEGIN

CALL "prog ID" {,ERR=} {,SIZ=}** {,argument list}

CLEAR

CLOSE {fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,IND=}}

DEF FNx{\$} {argument list}=expr

DELETE {first stno} {,} {last stno}

DIM array name {range of first dimension {,range of second {,range of third {}}}}

DIM string variable name {length {str expr}}

DIRECT "file ID", keysz, recno, recsz, discno, secno {,ERR=}

DISABLE discno

DROP "prog ID" {,ERR=}

EDIT stno {C[copy through value]} {D[delete through value]} {R[replace value]} {[insert value]}

ENABLE discno

END

ENDTRACE

ENTER argument list

ERASE "file ID" {,ERR=}

ESCAPE

EXECUTE {stno} string argument

EXIT {expr}

EXITTO stno

EXTRACT {fileno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,DOM=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,TBL=} {,SIZ=}} {argument list} {,IOL=}

EXTRACT RECORD {fileno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,DOM=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,TBL=} {,SIZ=}} {string variable }

FILE string

FIND (fileno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,DOM=} {,KEY=} {,TBL=} {,SIZ=}) {argument list} {,IOL=}

FIND RECORD (fileno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,DOM=} {,KEY=} {,TBL=} {,SIZ=}) {argument list}

FLOATING POINT

FOR ctrl variable = start expr TO end expr STEP { expr}

GET discno, secno {,ERR=} {,RTY=}, input string variable {,verify string variable}

GOSUB stno

GOTO stno

IF logical expr {AND logical expr} {OR logical expr} {THEN} statement {ELSE statement}

INDEXED "file ID", recno, recsz, discno, secno {,ERR=}

INPUT {{fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,DOM=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,TBL=} {,TIM=} {,SIZ=}} { @(expr,expr)} {string constant} {,mnemonic} {,variable} {,IOL=}}

INPUT RECORD (fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,DOM=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,SIZ=}) { @(expr,expr)} {string variable}

IOLIST argument list {,IOL=}

{LET} {numeric variable=numeric expr} {} {string variable=string expr} {...}

LIST {{devno {,ERR=} {,TBL=}}} {first stno} {} {last stno}

LOAD "prog ID"

LOCK (fileno {,ERR=})

MERGE (fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,IND=} {,TBL=})

NEXT control variable

ON expr GOTO stno {,stno, stno...}

OPEN (fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,BLK=} {,TRK=} {,SEQ=} {,ISZ=}) "file/device ID"

PRECISION expr

PRINT {{fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,DOM=} {,TBL=}} { @(expr,expr)} {list} {,IOL=} {}}

PRINT RECORD (fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,SIZ=} {,DOM=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,TBL=}) { @(expr,expr)} {string variable}

PROGRAM "file ID", prog size, discno, secno {,ERR=}

PUT discno, secno {,ERR=} {,RTY=}, string variable {,verify string variable}

READ {{fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,TBL=} {,SIZ=} {,DOM=} {,TIM=}} { @(expr,expr)} {variable list} {,IOL=}}

READ RECORD (fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,TBL=} {,DOM=} {,TIM=} {,SIZ=}) string variable

RELEASE {"task ID"}

REM {"} {remark} {"}

REMOVE (fileno, KEY= {,DOM=} {,ERR=})

RESERVE discno

RESET

RETRY

RETURN

RUN {"prog ID"}

SAVE "prog ID" {,prog size, discno, secno}
SERIAL "file ID", average recno, average recsz, discno, secno {,ERR=}
SETCTL** stno
SETDAY "string expr"
SETERR stno
SETESC stno
SETTIME numeric expr
SETTRACE {{fileno/devno}}
SORT "file ID", keysz, recno, discno, secno {,ERR=}
SORTSTEP** string expr, string expr, string expr
START pages {,ERR=} {,BNK=} {"prog ID"} {"task ID"}
STOP

TABLE hexadecimal string

UNLOCK (fileno/devno {,ERR=})

WAIT number of seconds

WRITE {{fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,DOM=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,SIZ=} {,TBL=}}}} {@(expr {,expr})} {variable list} {,IOL=}
WRITE RECORD (fileno/devno {,ERR=} {,END=} {,DOM=} {,IND=} {,KEY=} {,SIZ=} {,TBL=}) {string variable}

ERRORS			ERROR TYPE	ERROR CODE	MEANING
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INPUT/OUTPUT	00	FILE/RECORD/DEVICE BUSY OR INACCESSIBLE	LIMIT	27	RETURN WITHOUT GOSUB/DELETE WITH ACTIVE GOSUB OR FOR-NEXT
	01	END OF RECORD		28	NEXT WITHOUT FOR
	02	END OF FILE		29	UNDEFINED MNEMONIC
	03	DISC READ ERROR		30	USER PROGRAM INCORRECT CHECKSUM
	04	DISC NOT READY		31	INSUFFICIENT MEMORY WITHIN TASK
	05	PERIPHERAL DATA TRANSFER ERROR		32	(HARDWARE) STACK OVERFLOW
	06	INVALID DISC DIRECTORY OR NON-CERTIFIED TAPE CARTRIDGE		33	INSUFFICIENT MEMORY CAPACITY
	07	SECTOR/POINTER OUT OF RANGE		34	VDT BUFFER OVERFLOW
	08	DISC WRITE ERROR/ DATA MISCOMPARE		35	PARENTHETIC EXPRESSION LIMIT
	09	POWER FAILURE		36	CALL/ENTER VARIABLE MISMATCH
FILE USAGE	10	ILLEGAL FILE NAME SIZE OR USAGE/ILLEGAL OVERLAID CALL	EXECUTION	37	INVALID FUNCTION
	11	MISSING OR DUPLICATE KEY		38	ILLEGAL COMMAND IN PUBLIC PROGRAM
	12	MISSING OR DUPLICATE FILE NAME/NON-CONFIGURED DEVICE		39	ESCAPE IN PUBLIC PROGRAM
	13	IMPROPER FILE OR DEVICE ACCESS		40	NUMERIC VALUE OVERFLOW
	14	IMPROPER FILE OR DEVICE USAGE		41	INVALID INTEGER RANGE
	15	DISC SPACE OCCUPIED BY ANOTHER FILE		42	NON-EXISTENT NUMERIC SUBSCRIPT
	16	DISC OF PUBLIC PROGRAMMING DIRECTORY IS FULL		43	INVALID FORMAT MASK SIZE
	17	INVALID PARAMETER/ NON-CONFIGURED DISC		44	STEP SIZE OF ZERO
	18	ILLEGAL CONTROL OPERATION		45	INVALID STATEMENT USAGE
	19	PROGRAM SIZE IS LARGER THAN DEFINED SIZE		46	INVALID STRING SIZE
STRUCTURE	20	STATEMENT SYNTAX	COMMUNI-CATIONS	47	SUBSTRING REFERENCE OUT OF RANGE
	21	INVALID STATEMENT NUMBER		48	INVALID INPUT
	23	MISSING VARIABLE/ NON-DIMENSIONED STRING		49	NON-TRANSLATABLE STATEMENT
	24	DUPLICATE FUNCTION NAME		50	GENERAL MEMORY ERROR
	25	UNDEFINED FUNCTION		51 (L3)	COMPILE OR LIST OPERATION WITHOUT COMPILER/LISTER
	26	INCORRECT VARIABLE USAGE		51 (L4)	SORTSTEP NOT RESIDENT
				54	OPEN OF SERIAL FILE WITH INVALID HEADER
				55	TAPE CONTROLLER
				72	END OF TRACK ON TAPE/ UNEXPECTED ETX
				75	NEGATIVE BID RESPONSE
				77	REVERSE INTERRUPT

ERROR TYPE	ERROR CODE	MEANING	APPLICABLE MNEMONIC	LEVEL	FUNCTION
	80	INVALID EXPECTED BID	'EG'	4	End generation of ERROR 29
	81	BID RECEIVE TIMEOUT	'EI'	4	End input transparency
	82	BID RESPONSE RETRY LIMIT	'EL'	3,4	End Load (VFU)
	83	INVALID ID SEQUENCE	'EO'	4	End output transparency
	84	PRIMARY/SECONDARY ASSIGNMENT	'EP'	3,4	Expanded print
	85	DATA TIMEOUT	'ES'	3,4	Escape
	87	RESPONSE-TO-DATA, RETRY LIMIT	'ET'	4	End input buffering
	88	RETRANSMISSION LIMIT	'FF'	3,4	Form feed
	89	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT PHASE	'IC'	4	Insert character
	95	DEVICE ERROR	'LD'	3,4	Line delete
			'LF'	3,4	Line feed
			'LI'	3,4	Line insert
			'PE'	4	End protect mode
			'PG'	3,4	Transmit screen to local serial printer
CATASTROPHIC INPUT/OUTPUT	103	CATASTROPHIC READ FAILURE/FILE POINTERS DAMAGED	'PM'	3,4	Begin plot mode
			'PS'	4	Start protect mode
	104	CATASTROPHIC DISC FAILURE/FILE POINTERS DAMAGED	'RB'	3,4	Ring bell
			'RC'	4	Read cursor position
			'SB'	3,4	Start background mode
	108	CATASTROPHIC WRITE FAILURE	'SF'	3,4	Start foreground mode
			'SL'	3,4	Start load (VFU)
	123	CATASTROPHIC PARITY ERROR/FILE POINTERS DAMAGED	'S2'	3,4	Slew to channel 2
			'S3'	3,4	Slew to channel 3
			'S4'	3,4	Slew to channel 4
	124	PARITY ERROR	'S5'	3,4	Slew to channel 5
			'S7'	3,4	Slew to channel 7
			'S8'	3,4	Slew to channel 8
SPECIAL CODE	126	(L4)CTL+Y USED	'TR'	3,4	Transmit VDT screen
ESCAPE	127	ESCAPE	'VT'	3,4	Vertical tab

MNEMONICS

APPLICABLE MNEMONIC	LEVEL	FUNCTION
'@(x)	3,4	Horiz position
'@(x,y)	3,4	Horiz & vert position
'BE'	4	Begin echo
'BG'	4	Begin to generate ERROR 29
'BI'	4	Begin input transparency
'BO'	4	Begin output transparency
'BS'	3,4	Backspace
'BT'	4	Begin input buffering
'CE'	4	Clear screen to end of page
'CF'	3,4	Clear foreground
'CH'	3,4	Move cursor home (0,0)
'CI'	3,4	Clear input buffer
'CL'	3,4	Clear line
'CR'	3,4	Carriage Return
'CS'	3,4	Clear screen
'DC'	4	Delete character
'EE'	4	End echo

RELATIONAL OPERATORS

=	is equal to
>	is greater than
<	is less than
<> or ><	is not equal to
>= or =>	is greater than or equal to
<= or ==<	is less than or equal to

LOGICAL/ARITHMETICAL OPERATORS

-	minus
+	plus
*	multiplied by
/	divided by
^	raised to the power of (exponentiation)